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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Anders PETTERSSON et al.

Confirmation No. 9973

Serial No. 09/787,887

GROUP 1615

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Examiner Micah Paul Young

FENTANYL COMPOSITION FOR THE
TREATMENT OF ACUTE PAIN

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of September 25,
2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 14,
with the following rewritten paragraph:

--A variety of polymers known in the art can be used as
bio/mucoadhesion promoting agents. In addition to their
polymeric nature, their ability to swell is important. On the
other hand, it is also important that they are substantially
insoluble in water. Their swelling factor by volume when brought
into contact with water or saliva should preferably be at least
10, while a factor of at least 20 is more preferred. Examples of
such bio/mucoadhesion promoting agents include cellulose
derivatives such as hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose (HPMC),

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